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II. Source Stabilization (Val)

Respondents have finished the land placement of armor cap rock on top of Western waste pit cell. As of July 18, total rock placed (armor cap type A, B/C, C, D, and D24) was 58,698 tons, which is 100% of the entire project. More information about the TCRA is available at www.epaossc.org/SanJacWPremoval. A final inspection is scheduled on Monday August 1, 2011, which will document to completion of the cap construction. A meeting to discuss the current operation and maintenance (O&M) plan is scheduled for August 3, 2011 with the respondents. The final removal action report is still pending and future cap inspections and monitoring will be begin after the final action report is received and approved by EPA.

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It is once again time to update the monthly report for elected officials re San Jacinto. Please take a look at the June info below and provide me any update by COB Monday, 8/1. Thank you!

STATUS OF CURRENT ACTIVITIES:

I. Community Outreach (Donn)

On July 20, EPA will participate in the monthly Community Advisory Committee meeting, along with a wide range of community stakeholders, to share details of the ongoing cleanup. A draft Community Involvement Plan will be provided to the public in July. EPA, in conjunction with site stakeholders, is initiating plans for the next



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community-wide meeting, to be held in late summer 2011.

II. Source Stabilization (Val)

Respondents continue land placement of armor cap rock on top of Western waste pit cell. As of July 8, total rock placed (armor cap type A, B/C, C, and D) was 57,672 tons, which is 93% of the entire project. More information about the TCRA is available at www.epaossc.org/SanJacWPremoval. Armor cap placement is anticipated to be complete in July, pending final inspections and survey results.

III. Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS) (Gary/Steve)

The Respondents are currently implementing the field sampling plans for the Fate & Transport Model Study, including the collection of upstream sediment load and current velocity data. Data for the low river flow condition has been collected. However, data collection for the high river flow conditions is waiting on a high river flow event. A draft residential soil sampling plan was submitted by Respondents and was reviewed and discussed by the regulatory stakeholders; comments on this residential sampling plan are being prepared now for transmission to the Respondents. The residential sampling includes collection of soil samples from both the east and west sides of the San Jacinto River near the Site for dioxin analysis. Finally, the validated soil sampling data for the southern impoundments were reviewed and discussed by the regulatory stakeholders and a letter to the Respondents regarding additional sampling in the southern impoundment is now being prepared. The EPA SJRWP website with public information on the RI/FS, TCRA, and Houston/Galveston Bay Watershed and can be found online at: http://www.epa.gov/region6/6sf/texas/san_jacinto.

IV. Watershed Management (Sharon/Karen/Jessica)

EPA continues to coordinate with the Port of Houston Authority, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Galveston District and the TCEQ. The port and EPA will enter into a Memorandum of Agreement to facilitate the exchange of data to further investigate the SJRWP site and Patrick Bayou and will inform communities in the area. EPA met with the Corps in June and requested data for dredged material deposited on properties near the local communities. TCEQ envisions completing the total maximum daily load for Buffalo Bayou with regard to dioxin/furan by the end of 2012 and will put together a monitoring and implementation plan to reduce levels in Buffalo Bayou to within national background levels.

V. Enforcement (Barbara/Anne/Jessica)

The potentially responsible party (PRP) group continues to conduct the RI/FS under the Unilateral Administrative Order. The PRP group also continues to conduct the TCRA under an Administrative Order on Consent (AOC). Currently, the PRP group is in violation with the AOC for not performing work in accordance with the December 15, 2010, EPA approved amended Work Schedule. The PRP group is in the process of coming into compliance with the AOC.

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